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2.0 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This standard operating procedure (SOP) describes procedures that will be used at Rocky Flats to define the SOPs addressing sample containers, preservatives, handling, packaging and shipping of soil/sediment and water samples collected at the Rocky Flats Plant (RFP).

3.0 RESPONSIBILITIES AND QUALIFICATIONS

All personnel performing these procedures are required to have the appropriate health and safety training as specified in the site-specific Health and Safety Plan. In addition, all personnel are required to have a complete understanding of the procedures described within this SOP and receive specific training regarding these procedures.

Only qualified personnel will be allowed to perform these procedures. Required qualifications are based on minimum of a two year science related degree and/or education, previous experience, onthe-job training, and supervision by an onsite chemist. The subcontractor's project manager will document personnel qualifications related to this procedure in the subcontractor's project QA files.

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5.0 EQUIPMENT

5.1 EQUIPMENT LIST

The following list of equipment is not intended to be task specific. The equipment and materials shown are the minimum that may be needed to ensure that proper procedures are followed for sample handling, packaging, and shipping.

- Sample containers/bottles
- Coolers
- Thermometer
- Blue ice
- Sample labels
- COC forms
- Decontamination equipment¹
- Preservatives
- Baggies for containers
- Bubble wrap
- Vermiculite or equivalent
- Strapping and clear tape
- Custody seals
- Garbage bags
- Metal paint cans²
- Plastic 5-gallon buckets

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Decontamination equipment and procedures are thoroughly discussed in the SOP FO.3, General Equipment Decontamination

² Large enough to accommodate sample containers

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The matrices discussed in this SOP for chemical, geotechnical, and radiological parameters are:

to include soils, sediments, and sludges (see SOP GT.8, Surface Soil Sampling, SOP SW.6, Sediment Sampling)

Water Matrix - to include surface water, groundwater and process liquids (see SOP GW.6, Groundwater Sampling; SOP SW.3, Surface Water Sampling, SOP SW.7, Collection of Tap Water Samples; SOP SW.8, Pond Sampling; and SOP SW.9, Industrial Effluent and Pond Discharge Sampling)

Tables A-1 and A-2 show both CLP and non-CLP parameters of interest for water and soil matrices with the associated container size, preservatives (chemical and/or temperature); and holding times. Tables A-3 and A-4 show radiological parameters, containers, preservatives, and holding times for water and soil matrices. Table A-5 shows geotechnical parameters, containers, preservatives, and holding times for geotechnical soil and geosynthetic materials.

CONTAINER LABELING, DECONTAMINATION, AND FIELD PACKAGING 6.2

The sample bottles will be labeled by the sample manager or field sampling team. Collection time and date will be completed in the field by the sampler. The labels will indicate:

- Activity name and/or number
- Unique sample number
- Sample time and date
- Chemical preservative used
- Sample type (grab, composite)
- Analyses required

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- Wrap glass containers in bubble pack.
- Verify that all samples requiring screening have reported estimated radiological activity levels.
- Place bagged and wrapped sample containers (except VOC vials) upright in the cooler with approximately 1 inch between them.
- Place bagged and wrapped sample containers upright, except for the volatile organic compounds (VOC) vials in the cooler with approximately 1 inch between them and the sides of the cooler.
- Fill the cooler approximately three-quarters full of vermiculite, making sure that sample containers are securely packed.
- Insert the two VOC vials upright in the center of the cooler.
- Fill the cooler with vermiculite, allowing adequate space at the top for blue ice.
- Bag the blue ice (or equivalent) and place several packages in the top space of the cooler**.
- Seal the signed COCs and self-addressed-postage-paid envelope in a plastic bag and tape it to the underside of the lid of the cooler.
- Tape the drain of the cooler shut.

^{**} See Appendix A, Tables 1 and 2 for parameters requiring 4° C \pm 2° C.

TABLE A-1 (continued)

SAMPLE CONTAINERS, SAMPLE PRESERVATION, AND SAMPLE HOLDING TIMES FOR MISCELLANEOUS PARAMETERS

WATER MATRIX

| | Parameter | Sample Volume ^a /Container | Preservative | Holding Time |
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| | Liquid - Low to Medium | Concentration Samples (continu | ued) | |
| 2-001670 | Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP) Nitrate as N Nitrite as N | 4 L amber glass | Cool, 4°C | Extract within 7 days, analyze within 40 days |
| DW | Nitrate as N | 250 mL/P, G | Cool, 4°C | 48 hours |
| 45 | Nitrite as N | 250 mL/P, G | Cool, 4°C | 48 hours |
| | Fluoride | 1 L/P | None | 28 days |
| | Hardness | 300 mL/P, G | 1:1 Nitric Acid, pH<2 | 6 mo |
| | Nutrients ^b | 2 L/P, G | 1:1 Sulfuric Acid, pH<2, Cool, 4°C | 28 days |
| | Oil and Grease | 1-L widemouth amber glass with Teflon liner | 1:1 Sulfuric Acid, pH<2, Cool, 4°C | 28 days |
| | Organic Halides - Total (TOX) | 250 mL amber glass with Teflon lined septum closure | Sulfuric Acid, pH<2; Cool, 4°C | 14 days |
| | pH | In situ, beaker or bucket | None | Analyze Immediately |
| | Phenols | 1-L amber glass with Teflon lined closure | 1:1 Sulfuric Acid, pH<2, Cool, 4°C | 28 days |
| | Phosphate-Ortho | 1-L/P, G | Cool, 4°C | 48 hr |
| | Phosphorus, Total Dissolved | 500 mL/P, G | 1:1 Sulfuric Acid, pH<2, Cool, 4°C | 28 days |

a P = Plastic (polyethylene); G = Glass

TABLE A-5 SAMPLE CONTAINERS. SAMPLE PRESERVATION, AND SAMPLE HOLDING TIMES FOR GEOTECHNICAL SAMPLES SOIL/GEOSYNTHETIC MATRIX

| Parameter | Container | Preservative | Holding Time |
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| Geotechnical Parameters: | Container | 7.0001.411.0 | IIII |
| Atterberg Limits ¹ , Grain Size Distribution (Particle Size) ³ , Moisture ⁴ , Specific Gravity, Visual Classification | One-gallon Zip-Loc Baggie ² (500 grams per test if listed once) | None | 28 days |
| Bulk Density (Proctor Test), Minimum (Maximum) Index Density | 5-gallon Bucket ⁵ | None | 6 mos. |
| Compression: | | | |
| Unconfined Compressive; One-dimensional Consolidated; Unconsolidated Undrained Compressive, Direct Shear ⁷ , Expansion Index | 1-Shelby tube (3" diameter x 30" length) completely filled ⁶ | None | 6 mos. |
| Permeability: | | | |
| Saturated Hydraulic Conductivity (Constant Head); Saturated Hydraulic Conductivity (Constant Flow, Rate); Capillary Moisture Relationships; Relative Hydraulic Conductivity for Air | 1-Shelby tube (3" diameter x 30" length) completely filled ⁶ | None | 6 mos. |

- 4 Moisure includes Laboratory Determination of Water (Moisture) Content of Soil and Rocks.
- 5 Thirty pounds of material is required.
- 6 Shelby tubes may be replaced with three California liners or three 2.5 inch U-type samples.

¹ Atterberg Limits include Liquid Limit, Plastic Limit, and Plasticity Index of Soils.

The entire suite of analytical parameters can be performed on approximately 2-3 kilograms of material provided that the maximum grain diameter does not exceed 1-1/2 inches. Individually, the parameter test will require 500 grams of sample; therefore, use individual 500 gram samples if less than three of these parameters are requested for each sample.

³ Grain Size Distribution includes Steve Analysis of Fine and Course Aggregates and Particle Size Analysis.

Direct Shear includes Soils Under Consolidated Drained Conditions. For Geosynthetic material collect a 12 inch x 12 inch sample.